REMARKS

The Examiner in the corresponding PCT Application No. PCT/US02/38934 indicated that Claims 3-4, 9-11 and 19-42 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4).

The present Amendment is filed to advance prosecution of the present application by placing the claims approved in the PCT application into allowable form.

Accordingly Applicant has combined Claims 1-3 into allowable Claim 1. Claim 1 and Claims 2-3 have been cancelled. Claim 4 has been rewritten in independent form. Claims 5-6 depend from allowable claims.

Claims 7-9 have been combined in allowable Claim 7. Claims 8-9 have been cancelled. Claims 12-15 depend from allowable claims.

Claims 16-18 have been cancelled.

Claims 19-42 were approved as originally filed.

Non-elected Claims 22-25 and 35-42 have been cancelled.

For the above reasons this application is believed to be in condition for allowance and such action at an early date is respectfully solicited.

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